

# Northeastern Connecticut Council of Governments

Testimony Regarding

Proposed Bill 6311

An Act Prohibiting Municipalities from  
Adopting Breed Specific Dangerous Dog  
Ordinances

Made To The

Planning And Development Committee

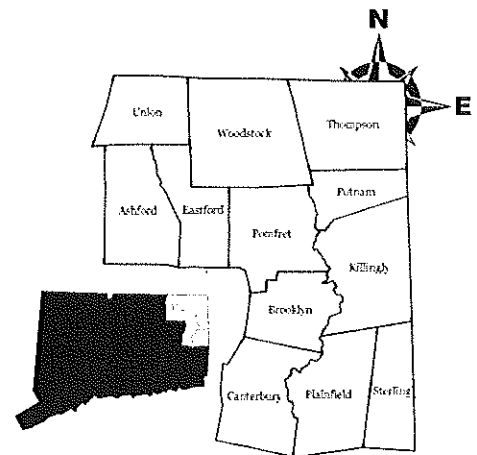
The Northeastern Connecticut Council Of Governments (NECCOG) supports the intent of this proposal and asks that the membership of the Committee give it favorable consideration.

NECCOG operates a regional Animal Services Program (the program began in 2004). Since that time we have adopted/placed/reunited more than 3,400 animals. Last year we dealt with more than 400 dogs of all shapes, breeds, sizes and temperaments. The majority of these dogs found good homes - only a few could not be placed because of their temperament. Based on our experience - we see no correlation between the breed of a dog and its propensity to be dangerous or a threat to people. More often than not it is the person responsible the dog that is responsible for a dogs dangerous behavior.

Thank you for your consideration of our position.

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